

**UCB, Inc Medical Educational Grants
Medical Affairs
Request for Proposal (RFP)**

Recognizing and Diagnosing Thymidine Kinase 2 Deficiency (TK2d)

Background:	<p>UCB, Inc., is a global biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery and development of innovative medicines and solutions to transform the lives of people living with rare diseases, including thymidine kinase 2 deficiency (TK2d).</p> <p>TK2d is a devastating, extremely rare, genetic, autosomal recessive, progressive and potentially fatal mitochondrial disease that causes mtDNA (mitochondrial DNA) depletion, multiple mtDNA deletions or both, and that manifests primarily as a myopathy. Because of its rarity, most clinicians are not aware of this disease.</p> <p>Although genetic testing provides a definitive diagnosis of TK2d, there is a general lack of awareness of genetic tests, variability in availability of these tests, and limited adoption in clinical practice.</p>
Key Identified Gaps:	<p>Healthcare providers (HCPs) need education on how to recognize mitochondrial diseases, including TK2d, and how to incorporate genetic testing as part of their diagnostic approach.</p> <p>Many HCPs across various specialties lack:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness of the key clinical findings and presenting symptoms for suspicion of mitochondrial diseases, including TK2 deficiency, across a range of ages and phenotypes; • Appreciation of the clinical value of genetic testing and how to incorporate genetic testing as part of a diagnostic approach to differentiate mitochondrial diseases from other conditions; • Awareness of the disease burden associated with TK2d; • Knowledge of current and emerging treatments for TK2d.
Specific Interest of this RFP:	<p>This request is seeking proposals for a series of US-clinic based educational initiatives that offer the opportunity for interaction with a live expert (or experts). The preferred format of the educational activity is one of flexibility that offers in-person and/or live virtual engagements. Ideally, content can be recorded and shared via an online platform for future on-demand use.</p>
Eligibility Criteria:	<p>The program should target the US geographic region. The education must be accredited and abide by ACCME standards.</p> <p>If accepted, the provider must attest to the terms, conditions and purposes of an educational grant as described in the electronic UCB letter of agreement. See the FAQ document in the Grants section at https://www.ucb.com/our-company/funding/usa for the UCB letter of agreement content.</p>
Clinical Area:	<p>Mitochondrial/TK2d</p>
Target Audience:	<p>Neuromuscular specialists and neurologists in specialized centers, community neuromuscular specialists and neurologists, pediatric neurologists, pediatricians, primary care providers, pulmonologists, gastroenterologists, advanced practice providers (NPs, PAs), physical therapists/occupational therapists, nutritionists, genetic counselors, and medical geneticists.</p>
Outcomes:	<p>Moore’s Level 1: Participation; Level 2: Satisfaction; Level 3: Learning; Level 4: Competence</p>

Expected Budget Range of Applications:	\$100,000
Key Dates:	<p>RFP release date: <i>February 7, 2023</i></p> <p>Proposal Deadline: <i>March 10, 2023</i> Please note the deadline is midnight Eastern Time</p> <p>Review of Proposals by External Review Panel: N/A</p> <p>Anticipated Proposal Notification Date: <i>March 31, 2023</i></p> <p>Period of Performance: <i>July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024</i> Please note an interim progress report will be requested depending upon timelines of the program.</p>
Submission Instructions:	<p>Submit applications online through the UCB eRequest-FMCP system which can be accessed at https://erequest.ucb.com/ or by following the link in the Grants section at https://www.ucb.com/our-company/funding/usa. Applicants must register for the UCB eRequest-FMCP system if you are not a current registrant.</p> <p>Select UCB.TK2d01.Jan2023 in the RFP Number field in the application, and include UCB.TK2d01.Jan2023 within the Request Title as well.</p> <p>Select Neurology as the Therapeutic Area and Other Neurology Indication as the Indication(s).</p> <p>Complete all required sections of the online application and upload the proposal.</p> <p>Approvals and denials will be communicated to the applicant via the eRequest system by email by the dates provided above.</p>
Application Section Requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning objectives • Needs assessment with classification of identified gaps into knowledge, skills, attitudes optionally performance according to the Moore levels of outcomes based planning • Intended outcome level to be achieved according to the Moore Scale • Activity type and delivery format following instructional design principles • Audience • Line item budget (template provided on application) • Document uploads for inclusion: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A formal dated Letter of Request for the funding (including activity title, activity start and end date, total amount requested, total program budget amount) 2. A comprehensive learning needs assessment plan 3. Detailed program plan/agenda 4. Accreditation certificate(s) 5. W-9 for payee organization 6. Outcomes measures plan (i.e., predefined outcomes measures that apply to each Moore’s level)
Questions:	Please direct any questions that you may have to the UCB Grants Office at grants@ucb.com